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ERICK VAZQUEZ-CHAVEZ VS COMMERCE

GARDENS, LLC

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IN THE 37TH DISTRICT COURT

BEXAR COUNTY, TEXAS

CITATION

"THE STATE OF TEXAS"

Directed To:

COMMERCE GARDENS, LLC

BY SERVING ITS REGISTERED AGENT CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY D/B/A CSC-LAWYERS

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"You have been sued. You may employ an attorney. If you or your attorney do not file a written answer with the clerk who issued this citation by 10:00am on the Monday next following the expiration of twenty days after you were served this CITATION and PETITION a default judgment may be taken against you. In addition to filing a written answer with the clerk, you may be required to make initial disclosures to the other parties of this suit. These disclosures generally must be made no later than 30 days after you file your answer with the clerk. Find out more at TexasLawHelp.org" Said Plaintiff's Original Petition was filed on this the 11th day of March, 2022.

ISSUED UNDER MY HAND AND SEAL OF SAID COURT on this the 17th day of March, 2022

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Declarant

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Defendant.	Š.	JUDICIAL DISTRICT

PLAINTIFF'S ORIGINAL PETITION

Plaintiff, Erick Vazquez-Chavez (hereinafter, "Plaintiff") complains of Defendant, Commerce Gardens, LLC, (hereinafter, "Defendant"), and would respectfully show the Court that:

Discovery Control Plan

1. Plaintiff intends to conduct discovery in this matter under Level 3 of the Texas Rules of Civil Procedure.

Jurisdiction and Venue

2. The claims asserted arise under the common law of Texas. This Court has jurisdiction and venue is proper because all or a substantial part of the events or omissions giving rise to the claim occurred in Bexar County, Texas.

Statement Regarding Monetary Relief Sought

3. Pursuant to Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 47(c), Plaintiff seeks monetary relief over \$250,000.00 but not more than \$1,000,000.00, including damages of any kind, penalties, costs, expenses, pre-judgment interest and attorney's fees and judgment for all other relief to which Plaintiff is justly entitled. Plaintiff expressly reserves the right to amend this Rule 47 statement of relief if necessary. Plaintiff further pleads that the amount in controversy in this matter does not exceed \$75,000.00.

Parties

- 4. Plaintiff is an individual residing in Bexar County, Texas.
- 5. Defendant, Commerce Gardens, LLC, Texas (hereinafter "Defendant"), is a Delaware corporation engaged in business in Bexar County, Texas. Defendant may be served with process by serving its registered agent, CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY D/B/A CSC-LAWYERS INCO, at 211 East 7th Street, Suite 620, Austin, Texas 78701.

Facts

- 6. This lawsuit is necessary as a result of personal injuries that Plaintiff received on or about November 11, 2021. At that time, Plaintiff was an invitee at Defendant's property at 3144 East Commerce Street, San Antonio, Texas 78220. Plaintiff in his apartment when he heard his trucks alarm go off. Plaintiff exited his apartment to investigate and as he approached his vehicle he noticed two individuals. One was underneath his vehicle and the other was standing watch. Plaintiff was shot by the individual standing watch. The plaintiff was shot in his torso and suffered severe injuries as a result. At the time, the parking area was poorly lit and numerous lights were not working. At the time, the property was supposed to be a closed-gate community. There were no warning signs present or any other signs of caution near the area where the incident occurred.
- 7. At the time of the incident in question, Plaintiff was an invitee of the Defendant. Defendant knew or should have known of the unreasonably dangerous condition and neither corrected nor warned Plaintiff of it. Plaintiff did not have any knowledge of the dangerous condition and could not have reasonably been expected to discover it. Defendant either created the condition and/or failed to correct the condition or to warn Plaintiff about the dangerous condition, which constituted negligence, and such negligence was a proximate cause of the occurrence in question and Plaintiff's resulting injuries.

- 8. Plaintiff would show that, based on the above-described facts, Defendant was negligent. Defendant, as occupier and owner of the premises, with control over the premises, had a duty to inform Plaintiff of the dangerous condition and make safe the defective condition existing on Defendant's premises.
- 9. Defendant is liable to Plaintiff under the theory of premises liability and negligence based on the following negligent conduct:
 - a. Failure to maintain the premises with proper lighting and security in a reasonably safe condition;
 - b. Failure to inspect the premises for proper lighting and securing where the dangerous condition existed;
 - c. Failure to correct the condition by taking reasonable measure to safeguard persons who entered the premises;
 - d. Failure to inform Plaintiff of the dangerous condition existing on the premises;
 - e. Other acts deemed negligent.
- 10. Each of the foregoing negligent acts and/or omissions, whether taken singularly or in any combination, was a proximate cause of Plaintiff's injuries and damages that are described below.
- 11. Defendant was also negligent in that it failed to act as a reasonably prudent premise owner would act in the same or similar situation.

Damages

- 12. As a result of these acts or omissions, Plaintiff sustained damages recognizable by law.
- 13. By virtue of the actions and conduct of Defendant as set forth above, Plaintiff was seriously injured and is entitled to recover the following damages:
 - a. Past and future medical expenses;
 - b. Past and future pain, suffering and mental anguish;
 - c. Past and future physical impairment;

- d. Past and future physical disfigurement; and
- e. Past lost wages and future loss of earning capacity.
- 14. By reason of the above, Plaintiff is entitled to recover damages from Defendant in an amount within the jurisdictional limits of this Court, as well as pre and post-judgment interest.

Rule 193.7 Notice

15. Plaintiff hereby gives actual notice to Defendant that any and all documents produced may be used against Defendant at any pre-trial proceeding and/or at trial of this matter without the necessity of authenticating the documents.

Initial Disclosures

16. Pursuant to Texas Rules of Civil Procedure 194, Defendant must, without awaiting a discovery request, provide the information or materials described in TEXAS RULE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE 194.2 within 30 days of being served with this petition.

Prayer

Plaintiff prays that this citation issue and be served upon Defendant in a form and manner prescribed by law, requiring that Defendant appear and answer, and that upon final hearing, Plaintiff have judgment against Defendant in a total sum in excess of the minimum jurisdictional limits of this Court, plus pre-judgment and post judgment interests, all costs of Court, and all such other and further relief, to which she may be justly entitled.

Respectfully Submitted,

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